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SECURITY INFORMATION
REPORT

COUNTRY Austria

TOPIC Strasshof-Deutsch Wagram Airfield

EVALUATION

PLACE OBTAINED

DATE OF CONTENT

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1. Aircraft observed at Strasshof (P 49/S 50) airfield on 7 September 1951, included: 26 swept-back jet fighters, 10 single-engine low-wing monoplanes, 16 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes with double rudder assemblies and radial engines, and 90 single-engine and twin-engine low-wing monoplanes. About 12:30 p.m., 12 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes landed at the field in formations of three.* Trucks and motor

vehicle were observed.

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2. Motor vehicles observed in the Deutsch Wagram (P 49/S 50) area included jeep, trucks, and truck with a hoisting gear.

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3. Seven twin-engine low-wing monoplanes with radial engines, double rudder assemblies and an antenna rod in front of the pilot's cabin were observed in the yards of the buildings south of Hauptstrasse. The engines of some of the planes were being dismantled.

4. On 13 and 14 September, 30 jet aircraft, 30 Pe-2s, and 9 fighters with in-line engines were observed at Strasshof airfield. About 11 a.m. on 14 September, 9 Pe-2 took off in formation for flying during sunny weather.

5. A new dump, which was apparently occupied by a construction detail the soldiers of which wore black-bordered blue epaulets, was observed at the edge of the woods. Three prime movers, rollers, various leveling machines, 6 trucks, and 5 van-like trucks were seen in the area of the dump.

6. Motor vehicles observed in front of the buildings occupied by Soviets included ambulance weapons carrier

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and trucks

7. On 13 September, six Pe-2s were seen in front of the aircraft repair shop in Deutsch Wagram. The rudder assemblies of two of these planes had a white-bordered blue 3 and a yellow 8. ** Motor vehicles observed in the town included trucks

teens

and

tank trucks

* Comment. The report confirms the occupation of Strasshof airfield by a fighter regiment equipped with jet aircraft and a bomber regiment. The statement that 90 single-engine and twin-engine planes were observed on 7 September appears incredible. However, an additional bomber unit may have been temporarily stationed there. This unit must have left the field by 13 September.

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Comment.

It is believed that one of the fighter regiments, previously stationed in Trauersdorf, has been transferred to Strasshof after having been re-equipped with jet aircraft. Strasshof airfield is better suited for jet fighters than Trauersdorf airfield. The two other fighter regiments of the division are believed to be stationed in Wiener Neustadt.

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